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To: All USAID Contractors and Grantees

Subject: Contact Policy for the Palestinian Authority

Dear Contractors and Grantees,

The policy governing contact with the Palestinian Authority (PA) described in Notice No. 2006-WBG-17, dated April 26, 2006, has been lifted.

Contact with private Palestinians and mayors, deputy mayors, village council members or other officials under their authority is allowed provided they are not affiliated with a designated terrorist organization (DTO).

Contact means any meeting, telephone conversation, or other communication, whether oral or written. Contractors and grantees should use their best efforts to ensure that meetings, ceremonies and other events they arrange do not include prohibited DTO individuals.

If you have questions or need clarifications about whether an individual is a bona fide employee of the PA or affiliated with or under the control of a DTO, submit them to USAID for further review on a case-by-case basis.

This notice pertains to contact only. It does not address material support and other statutes or Office of Foreign Assets Control sanctions.

Contractors and grantees should address any questions about this notice to the USAID Office of Contracts Management at 03-511-4848.

Sincerely,

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